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Dr. George A. Carver Special Assistant for Vietnamese Affairs Central Intelligence Agency Washington, D. C.

Dear Dr. Carver:

We are pleased to learn that you will be able to help us conduct a series of seminars for members of The National War College on "Vietnam and U. S. Policy," beginning at 9:00 a.m. and concluding at 4:30 p.m., Tuesday, 6 March.

On that day we plan to divide our class into eight seminar groups of approximately seventeen students each. Half of these groups will meet in the morning from 9:00 to 11:30 and half in the afternoon from 2:00 to 4:30. During the course of the day we would like you to meet with four groups and discuss the Vietnam and related Laos, Cambodia and Thailand policies of the United States in the past decade as they appear in contemporary perspective.

Each session should last one hour and ten minutes. The groups you address will also hear, either before or after your presentation, an advocate of a view of Vietnam policy which probably differs substantially from your own. Thus each student will hear two different views on Vietnam, but you will not hear the "other side" and there will be no debate or direct confrontation. A total of four visiting speakers, including yourself, will be here for the day. We would like you to open each of your four sessions with a fifteen minute presentation of your basic views of the United States involvement in Vietnam, to be followed by a discussion in conventional seminar fashion.

Mr. Carver had to attend a WSAG on this date and did not make the seminar.

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As you know, The National War College has a well-established policy of holding all remarks in presentations such as yours in strictest confidence. This, we believe, permits the speaker to discuss his subject freely and with complete candor.

In the event you desire additional information or assistance, please do not hesitate to call on any of us here at the College. Dr. Robert A. Rupen, telephone 693-8385, the director of the course which includes these seminars, is our faculty member most familiar with their scope and purpose.

We appreciate your continuing interest in The National War College, and look forward to the opportunity of welcoming you back on 6 March.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

M.G. BAYNE

Vice Admiral, U.S. Navy

Commandant